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POLAND - EAST GERMANY: Visit by Jaruzelski

Premier Jaruzelski's visit today to East Germany is his first to an East European country since the imposition of martial law. The East Germans hope to increase contacts with Polish party and government officials to gain a better understanding of Warsaw's intentions. They will emphasize their willingness to work with Jaruzelski, but will express unhappiness with some of Warsaw's policies, including plans for a show trial for former party chief Gierek.

Comment: Jaruzelski probably will seek more economic aid beyond the bilateral trade agreement announced earlier this month. East Germany, which was a persistent critic of Warsaw's temporizing before martial law, now may feel obliged to respond positively to the aid request. No major new grant is likely, however, in part because of East Germany's own economic problems.

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